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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
 WESTERN DIVISION

MARILYN JOHNSON, et al.,)	
)	
Plaintiffs,)	Case No.: 00-2608 D P ✓
)	and
)	Case No.: 00-2017 D P
v.)	
CITY OF MEMPHIS)	
)	
Defendant.)	
)	
FLORENCE BILLINGSLEY, et al.,)	Case No. 04-2013 D AN
)	
Plaintiffs,)	
)	
vs.)	
CITY OF MEMPHIS,)	
)	
Defendant.)	

ORDER DENYING PROTECTIVE ORDER

Before the Court is Defendant's Motion for Protective Order. The Court conducted a hearing on the motion on April 18, 2005, and heard argument of counsel. Defendant contends that the request for discovery is overly broad, burdensome, and irrelevant. Moreover, Defendant cites that no witness is available who can personally testify to events during much of the referenced time.

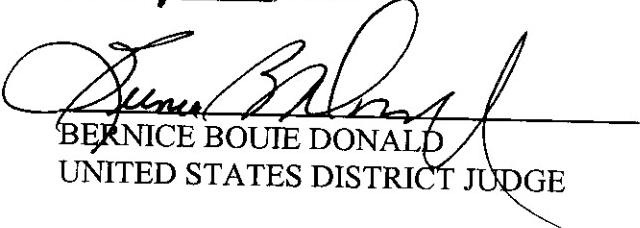
Upon review of the motion and consideration of the total litigation, the Court finds that Defendant's motion is not well taken. While the Court has set 1996 as the relevant date for certain purposes, Plaintiffs are entitled to review and discover information which may not be admissible,

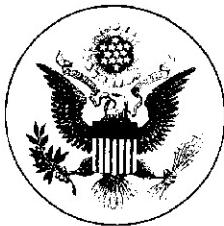
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but may help develop their theories.

Accordingly, Defendant's Motion for Protective Order is DENIED.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 26th day of May, 2005.


BERNICE BOUIE DONALD
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE



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